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By this time the fishing fleets have been warned that there is a wolf in sheep's clothing among them.

It could not have been part of the "German plan" to let the allies take more than 100,000 prisoners in a month.

"American troops ready for action." It will be a sorry day for Germany when they get going, on top of what the British and the French have done.

State Commissioner of Agriculture Brigham has declared against the borer. But the common, everyday borer still disturbs himself in his pleasure.

Perhaps the Triumph committed suicide and thus saved itself from being hanged. Anyway the German raider appears to have desisted from its work among the fishing boats off the Grand Banks.

The arrival of the Danish mission in the United States shows the trend of the European neutrals more strongly than ever to the allies. The central powers are likely to be a lonesome bunch when it comes to times of peace.

Another highway bridge, this time in the town of Hardwick, has gone down under the weight of a heavy motor truck. If a bridge were to be plainly marked with its carrying capacity it would not be subjected to weight more than that mark.

A Vermont soldier, already wounded once, has just lost one eye in battle; yet he writes home, "Worry would never make it better, so I am making light of it." Yet we at home are worrying lest we be deprived of an extra spoonful of sugar.

E. R. Morse of Rutland, one of the state's prominent men, has been appointed as state chairman of the fourth Liberty loan, and Harry C. Whitehill is to have charge of the advertising campaign. The selection of these men ought to make it certain that the forthcoming campaign will be carried out well.

The German falsehood about 14 American troops being sunk was not accompanied by a statement of the number of soldiers lost in the 14 disasters. It would surprise the German people to learn that only two troops have been sunk on the eastward trip (the trip which counts from the German standpoint) and less than 300 all told were lost. It is of what lies the German press can shove into the minds of the German people.

The appointment of President John M. Thomas as a chaplain in the United States army commends itself to many people who have come in touch with the man. There is no doubt that Dr. Thomas can fill the position admirably, as he did a similar position with the Vermont soldiers on the Mexican border two years ago. And, too, he can probably enter upon the work with a feeling of satisfaction now that he has firmly entrenched Middlebury college in a financial way after strenuous efforts covering many months.

How are Vermont voters ever going to choose between those three editors who are candidates for governor?—Boston Globe.

It takes a considerable stretching of the imagination to call the three Republican candidates editors. One of them does pay more or less attention to his newspaper; another edits by proxy and the third probably does not know the difference between a pi line and a hell box. However, if the voters of Vermont do not care to vote for any one of the three Republican candidates, Howe, Clement or Darling, they can vote for a medical man, Dr. W. B. Mayo, the Democratic candidate for the office. They do not have to take an editor, a pseudo-editor or an infrequent contributor to the editorial columns. So there is no real dilemma ahead of the voters of Vermont.

## TAKING THE YOUNGSTERS FOR WAR SERVICE

Those who have disagreed with the proposal to draft boys of 18 years should take into consideration that the registered 18-year-olds will be a few weeks older before they are called to service, in all probability; will be several months older before they take boat for Europe and, most likely if the present system is followed, will be several more months older before they get into actual battle. So the youngest of the 18-year-olds will be well toward 19 and the older ones of the same class will be well into 19 before they are brought face to face with the enemy. The training of our youths for war service is not an instantaneous performance but is only accomplished after many months and, sometimes, after a year or more in the training camps. By the same line of reasoning, the 10-year-old men at the time of registration will be practically 20 before they have a chance to show their metal against the Germans. Neither of the two classes could be considered as mere boys, such

as entered battle in the Civil war. A considerable portion of the Northern army, as well as of the South, were mere striplings of 14, 15, 16 and 17 years of age when they entered the service; and the general opinion in those days was that they fought well, showing good spirit and standing up well with the men of more mature years. However, there would be great regret were youths of such tender years to be forced into this present conflict on the side of the Americans, albeit there are said to be many men under 18 years of age in all the other armies engaged in the war. Beside these striplings who fought in the Civil war the men of 18 and 19 years of the present day would be considered stalwart material.

## CURRENT COMMENT

## Ex-Governor Prouty Was Loved.

There are some men whom one likes and some men whom one loves, and Gov. George H. Prouty was one of the men that everybody loved. Possessed of a charming personality he made friends everywhere, and his tragic death has elicited the warmest tributes from both press and people. The number that gathered at the funeral service Thursday was many indications of the popularity of the man and many more would have attended the service if they could have done so. Governor Prouty made a success of his business and became one of the best known lumber dealers in the north country. He also made good in various public offices he held and has left a public record that will long be remembered. He is one of the Vermonters that will long be missed in both public and private life and a product of the Green Mountain state of which all are proud.—St. Johnsbury Caledonian.

## A Special Session?

The appointment of two senators to take the places of those who have vacated their offices through death and resignation gives official Montpelier something new to talk about.

The revived sensation has to do with the possibility of the governor's calling a special session of the legislature to pass upon conditions existing in the auditor's office, recently disclosed by The Herald, with a view to determining the proper procedure in regard to the resignation recently called for by the state committee.

There has been considerable sensational talk about the situation, based mostly upon a misunderstanding of what powers the various arms of state government may exercise in the present emergency. A certain distinguished publicist recently expressed a somewhat remarkable faith in what the supreme court would hold to be its duty in that contingency. Lawyers of state-wide reputation have expressed the opinion that the attorney-general should proceed to prosecute. Others hold that the supreme court might act as a court of impeachment.

As The Herald views it, the first thing to be done is to find out just what the facts are, just what measure of responsibility attaches to various state officers and whether proper restitution has been made to the state treasurer. After that, the duty of prosecuting officers and others would be under existing conditions.

When the bank commissioner says frankly that he is not prepared to say whether the reported shortages cover all that appears on the auditor's books as a deficit, it is fairly clear that no investigating committee of this or any other legislature would be apt to get any better information.

First of all, there must be an expert examination of the auditor's books and accounts, and that examination might go further. Who can say what conditions may have arisen in other state offices, now that we know that a shortage of \$20,000 could accumulate and not be discovered in routine examinations?

As to a special session, The Herald does not favor it, certainly not at this time. In addition to being an added expense, it is not at all certain that it would accomplish anything of public value to the state.

Some of the gossip about a special session arises from the fairly well-defined rumor that the governor does not propose to resign until such an examination has been secured. It seems to The Herald as though there is some reason in such a position.

## Coal Prospects at the Present Time.

While the last report we have had of the production of coal is rather encouraging and shows that a greater quantity now being mined than during the past few months, unless mining is speeded up still more there is likely to be a scarcity of fuel next winter that will cause considerable suffering, especially among people of small means. That is the reason for the president's proclamation to the miners, so well calculated to inspire them to patriotic effort as indispensable for the winning of the war.

Thus, the fuel administrator of Vermont, for instance, says that this state will be short 70,000 tons of anthracite next winter. If that estimate is approximately correct it is easy to see that in other and larger states where manufacture is carried on more extensively the shortage will be felt much more. It is said that even now many miners work only four days a week, as under the new wage schedule they earn as much in the four days as they did in working six days under the old schedule. The miners as a body have responded well to the call of the country, but this report is rather discouraging.

In order to try to overcome this condition some of the coal mine owners have organized slacker committees among the better class of the mine workers, the duty of such committees being to endeavor to inspire their fellow workmen with ambition and patriotism in the production of coal. That is about as good a way as could be found to reach a slacker of this kind. By word and example the patriotic, intelligent miner may be able to impress upon the miner slacker that his best effort in the mine is demanded by the country and that for love of country

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he should give six days a week in the production of coal.

The price of coal next winter will be high and this is burden enough for the poor to bear when practically every other necessity of life is dear, without adding to that burden a scarcity of coal and the consequent suffering.

With the possibility of a scarcity of coal now is the time to consider the resources of our forests and begin getting from them the wood that is available for fuel without ruining the timber. To wait until next fall to undertake this work would be unwise. In the mountainous regions the lumbering and agriculture amounts to little the residents could now harvest the wood for fuel and continue the harvest until all that is available has been cut.

The saving of coal by industrial plants is being carried on to an extent that would hardly seem possible a short time ago. The manufacturers of the country are doing all they can to help out on the matter of fuel supply and the rural resident should also do his share.—Rutland News.

## German Discovery of America.

It is somewhat late in the day to discover America, yet only now is this nation being discovered by the Germans. We doubt if they will think of the discovery as being better late than never. They had better have let it alone than have pursued their course of frightfulness to the point at which they find that an America strong in arms confronts them. Warning enough was given, but it was not heeded. Kultur had apparently killed conscience and nourished conceit until there was no capacity to recognize wrong or to perceive the possibility of punishment by any earthly power. The idea of the United States ever daring to enter the war as an enemy of the mighty German empire was ridiculous. Treitschke had said, "It is hardly conceivable that in the former British colonies in America any civilization can be produced that will stand morally on the same plane with the old civilization of Europe," and, of course, it would be preposterous to suppose that America could be strong enough materially to stand up against the German war machine that had taken forty years to build.

While we still were neutral the Germans had it pretty well settled what they would do to us for the "war treason" of selling supplies of food and munitions to the allies. We could not be forgiven for helping hated England. Speaking for the Germans in 1915, Professor Hermann Schumacher said, "By the right of victory and on grounds of justice, we have a claim for indemnity at the cost of England and of the United States." The plan of invasion included the capture of "several of the large Atlantic seaport towns, at which converge the threads of the whole wealth of the nation," and they were to be "penalized by levying them heavy war contributions." When the wicked British navy would not let the German warships and transports come over to perform these pleasant operations, Emperor Secretary Zimmermann, it will be remembered, devised in January, 1915, the pretty plan of setting Mexico and Japan on to America, and requested that President Carranza should be assured that "the employment of ruthless submarine warfare now promises to compel England to make peace in a few months." Yet to-day Japan is more our friend than ever. Mexico is prudently peaceable, and America and England together are destroying the greatly reduced fleet of submarines.

The discovery of naval America was an important addition to German knowledge and discomfiture. Yet far more impressive and disconcerting to the Germans, including the Kaiser and his generals, is their later discovery of military America. They are only beginning to believe the testimony of their eyes and ears, their dead and wounded, their retreating armies and territorial losses. That which was deemed incredible has happened, and is causing all Germany very grave anxiety, if not positive dismay. Macbeth was not more astounded as he saw Birnam Wood come to Dunsinane than the Germans are to France. For this was declared impossible. Did not the U-boats block the way? Were not the Americans without an army? And was not their talk of war mere bluff that would never get beyond the stage of flag-waving? So the sabre-rattling critics had assured the people.

But they have now discovered the American army. They have discovered that it can fight, and that man for man it fights better than the remaining German best. These are revelations that penetrate the densest Prussian craniums. The tradition of military invincibility totters. There may be discoveries that yield a little relief, such as seeing that the Americans do not kill and eat the prisoners they take. But, on the whole, the new experience is teaching bitter lessons to the German military caste, its servants and its dupes, compelling them to face a future in which if armed autocracy raise its head the head will fall. The enemies of freedom have more to learn from American freedom. They will know us better before we have done with them. And when we do have done with them the world will be a better place to live in.—Boston Transcript.

## WILLIAMSTOWN

Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Lang of Barre have lately visited Mr. and Mrs. Oliver W. Martin and other friends in town.

Mrs. James Powers and two daughters, Vera and Virginia, have returned to their home in Northfield, after passing a few days with George W. Savery and family.

Miss Edna Waldo has lately had the pleasure of a visit from a former roommate at Montpelier seminary, Miss Grace Badger of Sharon.

Frank A. Walker of Barre, supervising architect of the addition to the village school building, was in town on Saturday to look after the details of the carpenter work, which is being pushed as rapidly as possible. Just now the roof is being put on, and a few days will see the building covered.

Miss Edna Prescott of Montpelier is the guest of Mrs. Theron Williams for a short time.

Mrs. W. H. Hurley and daughters, Hilda and Charlotte, former residents before their removal to Northfield, are in town for a brief stay as the guests of Mrs. B. E. Bruce.

Among the old acquaintances with whom your correspondent exchanged greetings on the occasion of the Farm bureau meeting at Chelsea last week were Mr. and Mrs. Alva Little, Mr. and Mrs. Jackson, Mrs. Maggie Dutton, Marshall Carpenter and Mrs. Nettie Banister, all former residents of this town and now of Chelsea. Also Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Badger and Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Lamson, now residents of East Montpelier.

Misses Doris and Margaret Kanaly of Montpelier were in town for a short stay last Saturday, making calls on the families of Harley T. Martin and George E. Wilber.

Mrs. Roxanna Jekow, who has been in town visiting relatives for the past week, returned on Sunday to her home in Stowe. Other members of the party were the scribe and his better half and Mrs. J. J. Kanaly, who joined the others at Montpelier. A stay of a few hours was made in Stowe at the home of Dr. and Mrs. John C. Morgan.

The political pot is beginning to sizzle and may be expected to boil up quite briskly before long.

Miss Millie J. Drury resumed work as lady clerk in Frank A. Downs' store the 19th, after a vacation of four weeks. Miss Rhoda Bruce, who filled Miss Drury's place during her absence, is to remain till near the time for the opening of Goddard, which school she will enter this fall.

An auto party made up of Mr. and Mrs. Theron G. Williams and two children, Miss Edna Prescott of Montpelier and the scribe as chauffeur, took a trip of 103 miles last Friday, going through Barre and Montpelier to Middlesex, thence up the Mad river valley to Granville, down the slope to Rochester and Bethel, thence to North Royalton and home by the golf road. A stop was made in Rochester to visit Mill No. 3, of the Eastern Talc company, and other points of interest on the way.

## DEATH OF C. G. CRANE.

He Was Member of Burlington Lumber Firm.

Burlington, Aug. 26.—Clarence G. Crane, a life-long resident of this city, died Saturday morning at the Mary Fletcher hospital, following an operation performed four weeks ago. Mr. Crane was born in Burlington Feb. 10, 1850, the son of David G. and Sarah Crane, and had always been identified with the lumber business, being at the time of his death secretary and one of the directors of the W. & D. G. Crane Co. He had been in poor health for the last few years and it was in the hope that a change might be beneficial that he was in the White mountains, where he was taken worse and was brought home. An operation was decided on, but he failed to rally from this.

He is survived by his wife, who was Johanna Apow; by three sons, who are with the colors, Ray D. in France, Lieut. Howard S. in England and Fred W. who is at Camp Taylor, Ky.; by one daughter, Miss Sarah P. Crane, of this city; and by one brother, Howard Crane of this city.

## NATIVE OF BRAINTREE.

Mrs. Job Bates' Death Was Hastened By Her Children's Death.

Burlington, Aug. 26.—Mrs. Mary Ella Bates, widow of Job Bates, died early Saturday morning at her home, 278 Maple street, after an illness of a few days with heart trouble. Mrs. Bates had been in delicate health for some time and was at Camp Martin for the summer when her condition became worse and she was removed to her home. The death of a daughter, Mrs. Allen Martin, last winter and the death in action of a son in France July 13, had much to do with hastening the end.

Mrs. Bates was born in Braintree Sept. 8, 1852. She is survived by six daughters, Julia I. and Mrs. John Hunter of this city, Mrs. Willard Elms of Los Angeles, Cal., Jessie E. of Warren, Pa., Mrs. John Blaboe of Cambridge, Mass., Dorothy S. of Essex Junction; by three sons, Charles M. of Cambridge Springs, Pa., William S. of Fort Sheildan, Ill., and James S. of Amarillo, Tex., also in the service. Mrs. Bates was a life-long member of the Congregational church.

## FOUR QUARTS OF WHISKEY.

Seized in Home of Enosburg Falls Man, Fred Larose.

Enosburg Falls, Aug. 26.—Acting under orders from State's Attorney W. R. McPeckers of St. Albans, Sheriff Arthur J. Croft of this place and Patrolman Walker of St. Albans raided the home of Fred Larose and secured four quarts of whiskey. The spirits were confiscated. Larose was out of town at the time of the raid, so was not arrested, though a warrant was made out for him. He is charged with selling liquor openly. It is alleged that Larose motors across the line to Canada, secures the liquor and sells it in Vermont.

## SERIES OF LANDING PLACES.

Is Being Established Across the United States.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 26.—Building of a chain of landing fields for aviators stretching across the United States is progressing steadily, the war department announced to-day. In a few states reports show there are landing fields, equipment to furnish oil and gas, at intervals of one hundred miles. It is planned to have the fields equipped to furnish shelter, limited machine shop facilities, maps, charts, and barometer and thermometers to the air pilots. Lines of such landing fields have been established in New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Illinois, District of Columbia, Georgia and California. In Arkansas, Mississippi, Alabama, New Mexico and Nebraska such fields soon will be provided.

## GRANITEVILLE

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lynch of Lawrence, Mass., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lynch.

Misses Margaret and Clara Murphy, who have been spending several weeks in Boston, returned to their homes Saturday evening.

Mrs. William MacAuley is confined to her home by illness.

Miss Sophia MacAuley of Montpelier spent Sunday with relatives.

The proceeds from the ice cream social held for the benefit of the Red Cross at the home of Mrs. R. D. Campbell amounted to \$17.60. Regular meetings of the Red Cross will be held this week.

Mrs. Murdo B. MacDonald and Mrs. Alex Murray of Gould, P. Q., and John MacDonald of Scotstown are visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis McLeod. Dr. and Mrs. E. H. Bailey, Misses Eloise, Marjorie and Virginia Bailey motored to Boston to-day to spend a few days on business.

Robert Daigh is removing his household goods into R. D. Campbell's house. Mr. and Mrs. D. H. MacDonald and daughter of Vershire were Sunday visitors in town.

Misses Gertrude and Anna Ryan, who have been employed in Boston during the summer months, returned Saturday.

Mrs. Anna Heney and son, Francis, were recent visitors at the home of James Sheridan.

Mrs. and Mrs. George Sutor and Mrs. Hamilton Wark motored to Littleton, N. H., Saturday to spend the week end.

Peter Murphy has received word of the safe arrival overseas of his son, Philip.

Mrs. John Healey and children have gone to New York City to visit relatives.

Norman McDonald has returned from Boston, where he has been visiting relatives.

Mrs. John Maiden of Barre visited friends in town Sunday.

Miss Mary E. McCarty returned to her home in Burlington Saturday after spending a few days with Dr. and Mrs. E. H. Bailey.

Miss Bess Hammett, who has so successfully taught the primary grades in the lower Graniteville school for the past six years, has received an appointment to a clerical position in Washington. During her stay here Miss Hammett has made many friends and will be greatly missed by children and parents.

John Ryan, having repainted and repaired his steamer, carried passengers to Barre Saturday night for the first time this summer. Mr. Ryan, who was recently employed in Springfield, completed his duties there several weeks ago.

Regular meeting of Court Rob Roy, F. of A., will be held in the gymnasium Tuesday evening, Aug. 27, at 7. Important business.

Regular meeting of branch No. 12, Q. W. I. U. of N. A., will be held in Miles' hall Wednesday evening, Aug. 28, at 7:30 o'clock. Important business. A good attendance is desired. Per order of secretary.

## WEBSTERVILLE

Pvt. William Imlach and Dona Rivard of the mechanical school in Burlington returned to Burlington to-day after spending a short furlough with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. I. T. Ober of Barre spent Sunday with Mrs. Maggie Cruickshank. George Mitchell left Saturday night for Philadelphia to visit his brother, John.

Mr. and Mrs. Theo Gingras and family spent Sunday in Waterbury with relatives.

Mrs. A. N. Woodruff of Burlington and daughter, Mrs. Fred Ravlin, of Waterbury, were the guests of Mrs. Joseph Rock yesterday.

Pvt. Norman McLeod of Maryland spent Sunday here with friends and relatives, leaving for camp again on the midnight train last night.

The Baptist missionary circle will meet with Mrs. Kosuth of Graniteville Thursday at 2 p. m.

Cordelia and Fedelia Duprey and sister, Mrs. Pelkey, returned to Nashua, N. H., Saturday after visiting their parents several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Amedy of Barre spent the week end with relatives here.

Everyone is invited to the entertainment at the Baptist church next Wednesday evening. "Hoover" sandwiches will be served. Program at 8 o'clock sharp. Admission, 10c and 15c.

Mrs. George Mearns has sent her furniture and expects to leave for Quincy, Mass., soon to join her husband, who has been employed there several months.

## DEATH AT MORRISVILLE.

Elmer E. Harris, Feed and Grain Merchant, Was Well Known.

Morrisville, Aug. 26.—Elmer E. Harris, for many years a well known feed and grain merchant, died at his home Saturday night at 7:15 o'clock after an illness of pneumonia. He had been in ill health since last June and pneumonia developed Friday night. The funeral will be held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock and will be private.

## A ROYALTY ENGAGEMENT.

Crown Prince Rupprecht to Princess Antoinette of Luxembourg.

Copenhagen, Aug. 26.—King Leopold of Bavaria, at a family dinner Sunday, according to a official statement made in Munich, announced the engagement of Crown Prince Rupprecht to the Princess Antoinette of Luxembourg.

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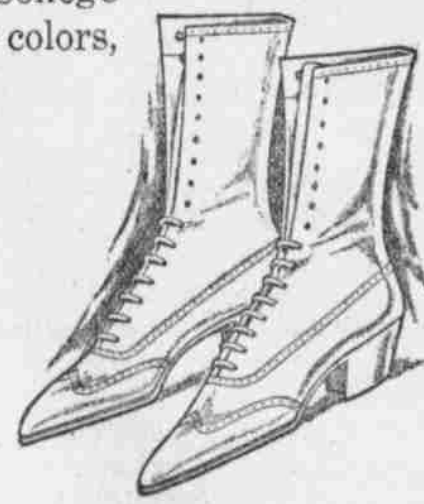
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